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SIR:

Responsive to the Official Communication of January 11, 2007, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.